

Homoptera

Reported by Tissot (1928)

Carolinaia rhois Tissot (Aphididae)

Diptera

Reported by Felt (1928)

Dasyneura rhois Coq. (Cecidomyiidae)

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THE USECHINI OF OREGON (TENEBRIONIDAE)

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In searching the available literature, I was able to find only one record of a member of the Usechini for Oregon. Dr. F. E. Blaisdell, in his revision of the tribe, cites a single specimen of *Usechus nucleatus* Casey from Oregon with no specific locality given. This specimen, one of six before him at the time, was from the Linell collection of the U. S. National Museum. With

this paucity of data on the tribe for Oregon, I feel that the following notes may be worth while.

Usechus nucleatus Casey

Oregon localities for this species are: Baker Creek, Yamhill County, July 10, 1937, July 13, 1939; Eola Hills, Yamhill County, June 16, 1939; Peavine Ridge, McMinnville, January 18, 1945, April 23, 1947, May 12, 1947; Camas Valley, June 15, 1936; Lake of the Woods-Ashland Road, June 11, 1945.

This species is usually found on mushrooms, where it occurs with various mycetophilous Staphylinidae, the erotylids *Triplax californica* LeConte and *Dacne californica* Horn, and the colydiid *Coxelus pacificus* Horn. Not overly common in the state, it is represented in our collection by 15 specimens. They all appear to be typical, except that they seem to average slightly larger than indicated by Blaisdell. His measurements are: Length 2.9 to 4.3 mm., width 1.18 to 1.6 mm. Our specimens vary from 4.1 to 5.0 mm. in length with an average of 4.8 mm. for the series. The width is similarly greater, 1.6 to 2.0 mm. with an average of 1.86 mm.

Usechimorpha barberi Blaisdell .

A single specimen from Boyer, Oregon, July 17, 1937, counting chamber #3, collected by James A. Macnab. It was collected from the soil in deep coniferous forest and a forest floor layer of Oregon Grape, *Clintonia*, moss and *Oxalis*.

This specimen is apparently a female as it lacks the spiculi-ferous puncture on the submentum that Dr. Blaisdell used as a male character. It is considerably larger than Dr. Blaisdell's lone male type which measured 3.2 mm. in length by 1.4 mm. in width. It is 4.7 mm. long by 2.2 mm. wide.

I have been unable to discover any recorded capture of this species other than that of the type, which was near Eureka, Humboldt County, California. Boyer is in the Coast Range of northwestern Oregon, thus the new record extends the known range of the species by nearly 300 miles.

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